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so it does exist. What we would do in Nebraska would be cheaper, it would be subject to local discipline, and it would be confidential and have the power of our state administration of justice to keep it confidential, and also to make this process a rather good deal cheaper than what it's done on the Internet. I would ask for the advancement of LB 46. I'll answer any questions you might have. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Landis. Debate on the advancement of LB 46? Senator Landis, you are recognized to close.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. Mr. Speaker, I do want to mention the committee hearing included a member of the mediation staff in Lincoln, Paul Ladehoff, a former law student of mine, who now is a practicing mediator, Jan McKynzie, who was representing the Nebraska Insurance Federation, essentially the domestic insurance companies of this state, and John Lindsay, who was representing the Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys. Both parties to most disputes that involve money would be the insurance industry and the trial attorneys. And they both think that this would be a valid tool to use. Understand, it's voluntary on both parties parts, it's confidential and it would be low-cost. I ask for the advancement of LB 46.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Landis. Question is the advancement of LB 46. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 46.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: LB 46 is advanced. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 48, by Senator Landis. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 4, referred to Judiciary, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Landis, you are now recognized to open on LB 48.